GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF MUSHROOM
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of mushroom recorded in the country during the last three years; and

(b) the concrete steps taken by the Government to promote production of mushroom in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The production of mushroom in the country during the last three years is as under:

Year	Production in MT
2003-04	60,000
2004-05	70,000
2005-06	85,000

(b): Ministry of Agriculture is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme `Technology Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Sikkim, Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttaranchal` to address all the issues related to development of horticulture which include promotion of Mushrooms in these eleven States. Under the Mission, financial assistance @ Rs.50.00 lakhs per unit is provided to State Governments for establishment of integrated mushroom units involved in promotion of Mushroom production in the concerned states such as production and supply of Mushroom spawn, imparting training on Mushroom cultivation etc. So far, about 21 Mushroom units have been established in these states.

Besides, as an innovative initiative of the State Governments of other parts of the country, assistance is provided for promotion of mushroom under National Horticulture Mission on project basis.